NDE Bulletin
November 19, 2015

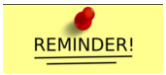
NSSRS Validations Error #474 – Early Childhood – Guidance for Reviewing and/or Resolving

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

Error #474: Students Was Reported As PK But The Student's Age is 5 And Cannot Be In PK (STUDENT and YEAR-END SPED SNAPSHOT) [STUDENT]
Student was reported as PK, but the student's age is 5 and cannot be in PK. NOTE: To correct, district can add YEAR-END SPED SNAPSHOT template, change child's birth date, change grade or remove from school. If 5 year-old without SPED identification is being served in PK, school must call EC office. (STUDENT and YEAR-END SPED SNAPSHOT)

This error is referring to the "Year-end Sped Snapshot". The system is expecting to see this student in the Year-End Sped Snapshot and it doesn't. This error is more of a reminder for you to be sure and include these students in your next Monthly/Year-End Sped Snapshot upload.

If the student is not in Special Education and being served in PK as a 5 year old, please contact the NDE Early Childhood office for further review.



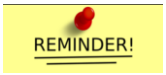
NeSA-RMSW 2014-2015 Key Dates

Contact: Valorie Foy (402-471-2495 or valorie.foy@nebraska.gov)

Key dates for NeSA-RMSW are presented in the following table.

Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-W Operational Test	December 1, 2015
Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-RMS Operational Test	January 20, 2016

Additional information on NeSA testing is available at the Statewide Assessment Website:
http://www.education.ne.gov/Assessment/Index.html



Special Education Monthly/Year-End Snapshot

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)
Public and State Operated Schools only

This is a reminder for School Districts uploading their Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot, please remember to upload a complete file of all special education students in the first upload to 2015-2016 Year End Collection. The Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot is the source of special education data to be compared with data provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that occurs on the 24th day of each month for the purpose of creating the Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS) claim forms/lists. Participation in MIPS is required by Nebraska Revised Statute 43-2511.

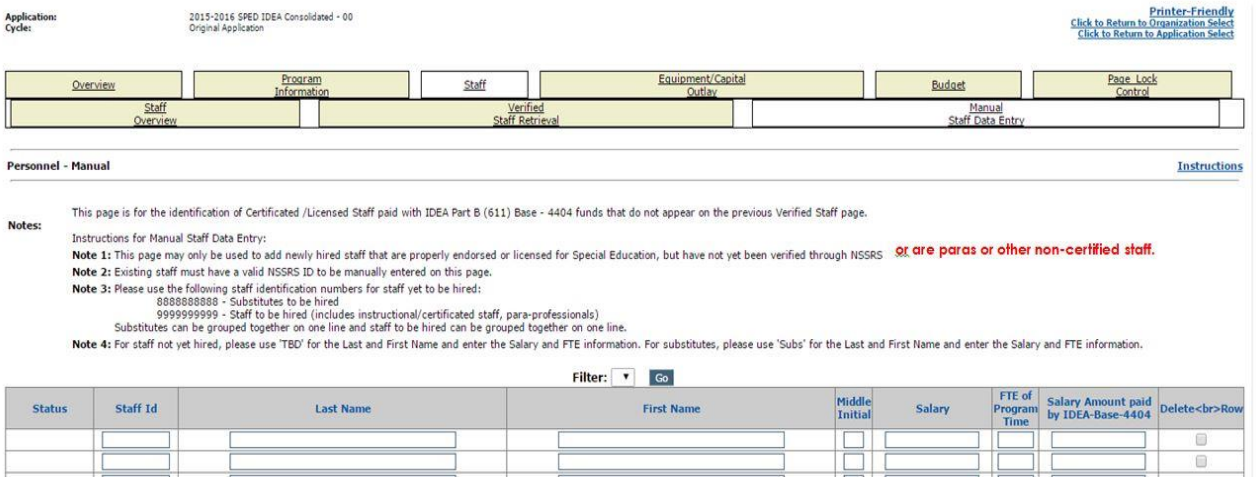
When the district uploads its first Special Education Snapshot for 2015-2016 Year End, it must be a complete file and include all special education students. After the initial upload for year-end, individual records can be uploaded in the monthly updates. A monthly Special Education Snapshot must be submitted when there are new students in special education and whenever there are changes in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy or Speech Therapy services.

REMINDER!

2015-16 Sped IDEA Consolidated Grant (GMS) Staff Instructions Update – Due: Dec 15

Contact: NDE Special Education Regional Representative

Clarification: The IDEA Consolidated grant (GMS) staff page instructions have been amended. **All** district non-certified staff will require manual addition to the grant application. Refer to notes in **RED** on the graphic below:



REMINDER!

Sped IDEA Consolidated Application (GMS) – Due: December 15

Contact: Pete Biaggio (402-471-2471 or pete.biaggio@nebraska.gov)

The 2015-16 Sped IDEA Consolidated application opened in the GMS Wednesday, October 21, with a due date of December 15 (11:59 p.m.). Check the NDE Portal for any updates.

REMINDER!

The following collections are currently open in the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC)

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

Please refer to the CDC Calendar which is located on the NSSRS Resources page at http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Resources.html#Instructions and also review the instructions available in each of the CDC collections for further details about each collection.

Technology Plan (Nonpublic optional)

District Technology, Education, Assessment and Management Plan.

Due Date: November 30 Audit Window Close Date: February 15, 2016

Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated and ESU's

For more information, contact SuAnn Witt - suann.witt@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2085

Teacher Vacancy Survey (CDC Collection)

The annual Teacher Vacancy Survey collects statewide teacher vacancy information which is used to determine teacher shortage areas. This information is used to qualify content areas eligible for a number of state and federal teacher loan forgiveness opportunities and to inform research regarding teacher supply and shortage initiatives. Public districts, Nonpublic systems and Educational Service Units will find the Teacher Vacancy Survey in the Portal under the CDC. **Due Date was November 10 – Audit Window Closes December 10**

Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, ESU's

For more information, contact: Karen Buller – karen.buller@nebraska.gov (402) 471-4837

Title I Annual Caseload Count of Children In Local Institutions For Neglected or Delinquent

The purpose of this annual caseload count is to provide the State Educational Agency with current information on the location and number of children living in institutions for neglected or delinquent children, or in local correctional institutions. The information collected will be used in the Title I formula for computing allocations for local educational agencies. **Due Date: December 5**

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Pat Frost – pat.frost@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2478

State of the Schools Report (SOSR) Calendar for 2015

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The following provides the dates when data and decisions will be available for review in the 2014-2015 SOSR Preview prior to public release. Once the Report Card is released to the public, the data will not be changed so it is important for Districts to review their data. The 2014-2015 SOSR Preview will be available through the NDE Portal.

Date	Activity	Public/District
Aug. 26, 2015	2014-2015 SOSR District Preview opens with the following data: Data from End-of-Year NSSRS Reports Preliminary AYP results for the 30 day review NeSA Reading, Math and Science results (disaggregated)	District only
Sept., 25, 2015	Last day AYP Appeals will be accepted	District Only
Oct. 16, 2015	SOSR 2014-2015 Report Card released to the public	Public
Nov. 13, 2015	Graduation, Drop-out, Highly Mobile, and School Mobility data added to the 2014-2015 SOSR District Preview	District Only
Nov. 20, 2015	Graduation, Drop-out, Highly Mobile, and School Mobility data added to the Public SOSR 2014-2015 Report Card	Public

HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

All three ways get to the same place, so please only use one of the following options.

If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

   OR

2. Email: nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov

OR

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556 – **This is a Voicemail line ONLY.**

Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

ALSO: If you have contacted the NDE Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

THANK YOU!

NDE Bulletins: Past and Present:

Current and past NDE Bulletins can be found at http://www.education.ne.gov/ndebulletins/index.html. We will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.

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